August 21, 2006

WISCONSIN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMITSION

Mr. Edward Marion, Administrative Law Judgetti 23 P 2: 57 Public Service Commission of Wisconsin 610 N. Whitney Way RECEIVED

P.O. Box 7854

Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7854

RE: PSCW Docket 137-CE-139: ATC's North Madis on to Huiskamp Transmission **Project**

Judge Marion,

On behalf of the members of the West Waubesa Preservation Coalition, the Board of Directors, is requesting that the West Waubesa Preservation Coalition be given full party status in the above mentioned matter. Our interest in the proposed project is indicated by our mission statement: to preserve the rural character, natural environment and beauty of Dane County, Wisconsin, west of Lake Waubesa, and to protect the region and its inhabitants from harmful development.

The North Madison to Huiskamp Transmission Project is part of a series of proposals authored by the American Transmission Company which, if enacted, would significantly harm the essential qualities of not only the area west of Lake Waubesa, but the larger region which contributes to Dane County's unique nature and high potential for supporting sustainable communities.

We believe that the proposed North Madison to Huiskamp Transmission Project is ill considered and not based upon sufficient study of an integrated electric power generation and distribution system, combined with conservation and load management opportunities. Such studies most likely would significantly alter the proposals for the reconfiguration of the regional transmission grid. Regional land use consideration is also under-represented.

We are requesting full party status in the proposal described in Docket 137-CE-139 so as to assert our interest in the case, without which our interests will not be adequately represented Please direct all correspondence on this matter to:

Melvin Powell, Jr.

West Waubesa Preservation Coalition

P.O. Box 234

Oregon, Wisconsin 53575

Sincerely,

Mehn Powell f. Melvin Powell f.